

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.
I HAVE This Day admitted Mr. WILLIAM LEGG as a PARTNER in my Business, which will henceforth be conducted under the Style of **HUGHES & LEGG.**
W. KERFOOT HUGHES.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877. jal

NOTICE.
MR. CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY was admitted a PARTNER in our Firm on the 1st July, 1877.
DOUGLAS LAPRAK & Co.
Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE.
I HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port as a GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
J. V. VERNON SHAW.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877. my1

NOTICE.
I HAVE This Day Established myself at this Port as MERCHANT and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
W. SCHRIEVER.
Hampden, November 9, 1877. del5

NOTICE.
THE Business of SHARE and GENERAL BROKER, hitherto conducted in my name, will now be carried on under the Style of **COHEN & HEATON**, Mr. ALEXANDER MACLASHAN HEATON having This Day become a PARTNER therein.
CHAS. C. COHEN.
Hongkong, November 1, 1877. jal

NOTICE.
FROM This Date Mr. EDWARD SHEPPARD and Mr. M. W. GREIG, are authorized to Sign the name of our Firm for Procurement at Foochow, and Mr. F. F. NEWELL at Amoy.
RUSSELL & Co.
China, June 1, 1877. del

NOTICE.
MR. JAMES AYTON MANN is authorized to Sign our Firm by Procurement.
GEPP & Co.
Canton, November 1, 1877. jal

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

GERMAN STEAMER FERONIA.
Schultz, Master, FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Undersigned, from whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees wishing to take delivery of their Goods from the Steamer alongside the Wharf are at liberty to do so.

Goods remaining in store after the 30th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless written notice to the contrary is given until 10 o'clock to-morrow.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **WM. POSTAU & Co., Agents.**

Hongkong, November 23, 1877. no30

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Nemesis having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of Messrs NORRIS & Co., whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Shanghai, unless notice to the contrary is given before Noon on Monday, the 26th instant.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 30th instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by **OLYMPIA & Co., Agents.**

Hongkong, November 24, 1877. no30

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. ESMEERALDA, FROM MANILA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per above Steamer are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the Godowns of the Undersigned.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. J. Y. V. SHAW.
Hongkong, November 23, 1877.

BRITISH BARK FIRTH OF TAY, FROM SYDNEY.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, November 21, 1877. no28

PACIFIC MAIL S. S. COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer **CHINA**, from San Francisco and Yokohama, are hereby informed that their Cargo is being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, November 17, 1877.

Not Responsible for Debts.

Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor Owners will be Responsible for any Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew of the following Vessels, during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ALFINGTON, British bark, Captain G. Cunningham.—Wheeler & Co.
CILVERUM, British ship, Captain E. Shawbury.—Wheeler & Co.

COLONIAL, American ship, Captain J. Graham.—Russell & Co.
KARF GARRIN, British bark, Captain James Wilson.—Melchers & Co.

BROOKHALL, British ship, Captain H. Bate.—Russell & Co.
JACATTA, Dutch brig, Captain Dirksen.—Slomson & Co.

CHARTER OAK, American ship, Captain Stapleton.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
YERUMA, German S.S. schooner, Capt. Spitzer.—Melchers & Co.

Intimations.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, IN LIQUIDATION.

A SECOND RETURN of CAPITAL at the Rate of FIVE TAELS per SHARE will be made to Shareholders of record on the 1st October, on the 8th inst. Warrants will be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders or their lawful representatives on presentation of Share Certificates for Endorsement. The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 8th instant, inclusive.

By Order,
RUSSELL & Co., Liquidators.
Shanghai, October 2, 1877.

SHIPS' COMPRADORE AND STEVEDORE,
No. 57, Praya Way.
SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.
Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

AFONG, PHOTOGRAPHER,
by appointment, to
H. E. SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY,
Governor of Hongkong;

and to
H. I. H. THE GRAND DUKE ALEXIS OF RUSSIA,

Wyndham Street, formerly ARTHUR CLIVE, HAS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views of China, Photographic Albums, Cases, &c., of assorted sizes. Ex S. S. *Tigre*, Revolving Standard Albums, Armorial Monograms and Postage Stamp Albums, Russia Leather, Velvet and carved-wood Albums, Cases and Frames, also Albums for Cabinet Portraits only. Portraits of the Generals of the present Russo-Turkish War, Eminent British Statesmen, the two Chinese Ambassadors, in Cabinet and Carte de Visite sizes. Coloured Portraits of English Ladies.

Hongkong, August 24, 1877.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR MANILA.
The Steamship **"ESMEERALDA,"** Capt. THOMAS, will be despatched for the above Port on FRIDAY, the 30th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
J. Y. V. SHAW, Agent.
Hongkong, November 23, 1877. no30

GERMAN BARK FERDINAND BRUMM, FROM LONDON.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

MELCHERS & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, November 26, 1877. no28

BRITISH BARK ORANGE GROVE, FROM HIOGO.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby requested to send their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods, otherwise they will be landed and stored at their risk.

RUSSELL & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, November 26, 1877. de3

Charters Effected.

The following charters have been effected during the last few days:—

American bark *Chasco*, 328, Cabt to New York, or Boston, or London, or Liverpool, private.

British ship *Onida*, 2283, hence to Hamburg, private.

British bark *Golden Russet*, 406, hence to Hamburg, private.

British bark *Faith*, 481, Manila to London, or Liverpool, Sugar 32 per ton of 20 cubic feet, Hemp 25, if all Sugar 24 1/2, 30 day days.

American bark *Philip Fitzpatrick*, 553, hence to Singapore, 1,050 in full, 14 day days.

British steamer *Perambuco*, 648, Swatow to Singapore, Passengers 93 per head, 12 day days.

British steamer *Alga*, 621, Swatow to Singapore, Passengers 93 per head, 12 day days.

The British ship *Elizabeth Nicholson*, 600 tons, left for Manila, seeking.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
Nov. 25, *Feetham*, German bark, 340, Haje, Newchwang Nov. 13, Beane.—Melchers & Co.

Nov. 25, *Sylland*, Danish brig, 267, Lath, Tientsin Nov. 18, General.—EDWARD SCHILLERS & Co.

Nov. 25, *Blankenau*, German schooner, 497, Slesien, Oneco Nov. 17, General.—EDWARD SCHILLERS & Co.

Nov. 25, *B. F. Watson*, American bark, 993, Hawkins, Swatow Nov. 23, Ballast.—CAPTAIN.

Nov. 25, *Maria Lottis*, French bark, 428, Guilboux, Halphong Nov. 7, Rice.—OARLOWITZ & Co.

Nov. 25, *Orange Grove*, British bark, 588, Longmuir, Kobe Nov. 8, General.—RUSSELL & Co.

Nov. 25, *Walshy Pendleton*, American bark, 810, Blanshard, Swatow Nov. 24, Ballast.—OARLOWITZ & Co.

Moreton, Halphong Nov. 27, and Hothow 23, General.—RUSSELL & Co.
Nov. 25, *An-lan*, Chinese bark, 221, 8 guns, 70 b.p., Canton Nov. 25.
Nov. 26, *Amoy*, from Canton.
Nov. 26, *Oratia*, Chinese bark, 1338, Webster, Liverpool Oct. 9, via ports of call, and Singapore Nov. 18, General.—BIR-TARFIELD & SWIN.

Nov. 26, *Anadyr*, Russian steamer, 2440, Moreau, Shanghai Nov. 23, Mails and General.—MESSAGERS MARITIMES.

Nov. 26, *Sto. Anna*, French brig, 236, Francois, Halphong Oct. 31, Rice.—OARLOWITZ & Co.

Nov. 26, *Victory*, British brig, 255, Jas. Whiting, Newchwang Nov. 16, Beans.—CHINESE.

Nov. 26, *Eudoxie Adolphine*, French brig, 251, Maitin, Canton Nov. 8, Salt.—OARLOWITZ & Co.

Nov. 26, *Ferdinand Brumm*, German bark, 767, A. F. Wong, London June 7, via Portsmouth, General.—MELCHERS & Co.

DEPARTURES.
Nov. 26, *Pacific*, for Caroline Group, North Pacific Islands.
26, *Elph*, Portuguese gunboat, for a 26, *Elizabeth Nicholson*, for Manila.
26, *Amoy*, for Shanghai.
26, *Unaihi*, for Halphong.
26, *Cheong Hock Kien*, for Amoy.
26, *Ferona*, for Shanghai.

OLARRED.
Halphong, for Coast Ports.
Oratia, for Shanghai.
Zambonga, for Amoy.
Jacatra, for Saigon.
Memnon, for Manila.

PASSENGERS.
ARRIVALS.
Per *Oratia*, from Liverpool, &c., Messrs P. H. Holt, John Strick, Miss Taylor, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. H. Ritchie, Rev. Mr. and Mrs. H. Thompson, and Rev. Mr. J. Rutherford; 28 Chinese from Straits.

Per *Anadyr*, from Shanghai, for Hongkong, Mr. and Mrs. Amosley and infant, Messrs Rastorjee, King, Tienbach, Graham, Remise, Chapuis, and 10 Chinese; for Batavia, Mr. Cavallieri, for Marcellus, Mr. and Mrs. Luthard and servant, Messrs Overbeck, de Hedemann, Nielsen, Falk, Olin Feo Pn, Iliand, Raymond, Foster, and 18 Chinese.

Per *Jylland*, from Tientsin, 5 Chinese.
Per *Norna*, from Swatow, 120 Chinese.
Per *Holyrood*, from Hothow, 5 Chinese.

DEPARTURES.
Per *Ferona*, to Shanghai, Mr. Michaelson, and Miss Schillaly.
Per *Amoy*, for Shanghai, Sir T. Campbell Brown.
Per *Cheong Hock Kien*, for Amoy, 50 Chinese.

To DEPART.
Per *Zambonga*, for Amoy, 50 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS.
The German bark *Ferdinand Brumm* reports: Left Spheland on the 7th of June and had calm and light winds till getting the trade. Crossed the Equator on the 19th of July, passed the Cape on the 19th of August. From there to Lat. 30 S. and Long. 122 E. experienced heavy Northerly and Easterly gales. Made Java Head on the 6th of October, passed Anjer the next day, and had light Southerly winds to Lat. 8 N. When the wind hauled to the N.E., afterwards had calm weather and light winds until we cleared the Palawan Passage on the 11th of November, and had light variable winds along the coast of Luzon. On the 19th, off Cape Bollna, had a heavy gale from the N.N.E. and N.E., which lasted three days. Remainder of passage had strong N.E. monsoon.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close:—
For SWATOW, AMOY & SHANGHAI.—Per *ORESTES*, at 3.30 p.m. To-morrow, the 27th inst.

For BANGKOK.—Per *DANUBE*, at 4.30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 27th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For SWATOW.—Per *PERAMBUCO*, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the 27th inst., instead of as previously notified.

For *NORVA*, at 7.30 a.m., on Wednesday, the 28th inst.

For PORT DARWIN & COOKTOWN.—Per *CHARIZON*, at 2.30 p.m., on Thursday, the 28th inst.

For MANILA.—Per *ESMEERALDA*, at 11.30 a.m., on Friday, the 30th inst.

MAILS BY THE PERAMBUCO.
The French Contract Packet *ANADYR* will be despatched from Hongkong on THURSDAY, the 29th instant, with Mails to and through the United Kingdom and Europe, via Marcellus, to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia, Galle, Australia, New Zealand, Tasmania, Fiji, Aden, Seychelles, Reunion, Mauritius, Suva, and Alexandria. This is the best opportunity for forwarding Correspondence to E. Africa, the Cape, St. Helena, and Antagon.

MAILS BY THE THOMAS STRAITS PACKET.
The S. S. *DUMAS* will be despatched from Hongkong on or about SATURDAY, the 1st December, with Mails for Singapore, Borneo, Cooctown, Cleveland Bay, Bowen, Koppell Bay, Brisbane, Sydney, Tasmania, New Zealand, and Melbourne.

Correspondence for Southern Australia can be sent by this route if desired, but as a general rule it is better to send it via Galle.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.
The United States Mail Packet *BELEGIO* will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 6th December, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be slowed as follows:—

11 A.M. Registry of Letters closes.
2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes.
2.30 P.M. Correspondence for Japan, the United States, or Union Countries only may be posted on board the "Palmer" with Late Fee of 15 cents extra Postage until

2.00 P.M. when the Mail is finally closed.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.
The British Contract Packet *GWALIOR* will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 6th December.

MEMOR. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.
Daylight.—Halphong leaves for Swatow, &c.

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.
Established A.D. 1841.
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FAMILY & DISPENSING CHEMISTS,
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Soda Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water, Gingerale, Fozz Water, Sarsaparilla Water, and other Aromatic Waters.

The Manufactory is under direct and continuous European Supervision.
Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

The publication of this issue commenced at 8.00 p.m.

BIRTH.
At Shanghai, on 19th November, the Wife of D. A. J. Crozier, of a Son.

MARRIAGES.
On the 15th Oct., at St. Peter's Church, Dublin, by the Rev. Dr. J. J. George, second son of William Stillee O'Neil, of Yokohama, Japan, to Clara Catherine, youngest daughter of Cornelius O'Doherty, of 65, Haddington-road, Dublin.

On the 18th Oct., at All Souls' Church, St. Marylebone, Walter G. Hillier, of H.M.'s Consular Service in China, to Ellen Alston, eldest daughter of J. B. Hole, of Chalkwell House, Sittingbourne.

On the 10th Oct., at Holy Trinity Church, Ryde, by the Rev. Arthur John Wade, M.A., Vicar, Henry Smith, Chief Accountant of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hong Kong, to Eleanor, daughter of the late Edward G. Lewis, Staffordshire.

DEATHS.
At Nagasaki, on the 23rd October, Mr. A. KASSBURG, aged 39.

On the 5th Oct., William Richard Fligg (tea trade), aged 63 years.

On the 3rd Sept., on board the P. and O. steamer *Hindostan*, in the Straits of Malacca, Nicholas Roskell, R.N.R., Commander, P. and O. Company's service, aged 53 years.

THE CHINA MAIL.
HONGKONG, MONDAY, NOV. 26, 1877.

As may be seen from our report, the case of *Hermann v. Grossmann* has been compromised, and the Special Jury discharged. Instead therefore of the damages sustained by the plaintiff from the use by defendant of the false label complained of being assessed by a body of business men thoroughly capable of doing so, the matter is removed from their cognizance, and becomes a subject for private arrangement. While we do not for a moment suggest that such a mode of amicable settlement is always to be discouraged—especially when adopted upon urgent advice from the Bench—it seems to be a pity that in the present instance the question was not suffered to go to the Jury before whom it was tried, as the principles involved most nearly affect the commercial interests not only of merchants in this Colony, in Europe and America, but of native traders throughout the length and breadth of the Chinese Empire. No doubt the Counsel for the plaintiffs has obtained or will obtain heavy damages and costs for his clients, otherwise he would not have come to the compromise in face of the evidence he elicited from the defendant's own mouth. But the merits of a question of so great and eventual commercial importance do not, in our humble opinion, receive adequate treatment by such an arrangement. The superiority of any special article of commerce, of a certain mark or brand, over all others of a similar kind may be thus fairly established in open Court in Hongkong; but when it is borne in mind that the market for that commodity may cover thousands of miles, and extend for hundreds of miles into the interior of China, it cannot but be regarded as unfortunate that the Jury in such a case is not called upon to bring their business knowledge to bear upon the subject of damages. It is most desirable that the honest merchant be protected to the utmost extent in the sale of goods the registered mark and superior quality of which render them exceptionally acceptable to the wide and ever-widening markets of China; and we trust that some means may be devised by which the evil effects of such irregularities may be neutralized in the distant markets now opening in the interior of the Empire on whose borders we reside.

THE N. C. D. News contains a translation of a letter addressed by General Kauffmann, Governor General of Russian Turkestan, to Tso Tsung-tang, commanding the Chinese army operating in Kansuh, calling attention to the atrocities committed by the Chinese soldiers during the campaign. It will be recollected that a detachment of Tso's forces was occupied for two months towards the end of last year in besieging the town of Manass. The Chinese forces were repulsed in several assaults, and it was not until their General promised a full amnesty that the inhabitants of the town consented to capitulate. On the garrison flying out of the town, however, they were fallen upon by the Chinese, troops, and over 1,500 persons, including women and children, were brutally massacred. "Such acts of cruelty and treachery," writes the Russian Governor to Tso, "are unworthy of the Commander-in-chief of a great power, and cannot but impress most unfavorably

ably the people whom the Chinese Government is desirous to bring under its authority. Such terrible cruelty can only result in the total depopulation of the country, and must without doubt seriously compromise the interests of China herself. I therefore consider it my duty, most honorable Tso Tsung-tang, to call your serious attention to the atrocities indulged in by your subordinates, and to request that you will take measures to prevent their being repeated; for such proceedings, assuredly, are not what the Government had in contemplation."

In laying the blame in this manner on Tso's subordinates, General Kauffmann seems to have overlooked the fact, or conveniently shut his eyes to it, that the whole details of the massacre were published in the *Peking Gazette*, the only excuse for the proceedings offered being that the column of aged persons, women and children that first issued from the gates of the town were surrounded by "desperate men with arms in their hands," who exhibited a disposition to cut their way through the Chinese ranks.

The whole affair was chronicled in the *Gazette* in the manner of a glorious victory. The nature of the assault on the Manass, spoken of as made with "indomitable courage and determination," may be gathered from the details of the attacks given in the account. On one occasion, for instance, when the writer has carried the troops through a breach in the wall in a most spirited manner, (on paper) and the capture of the town is reduced to an apparent "dead certainty," he adds "but a strong southerly wind sprang up and blew the smoke forward in such dense clouds that the troops were compelled once more to retire!" There was also another remarkable feature about these assaults that they seemed to have invariably resulted in about twice as great a loss to the besieged as to the besiegers.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

THE P. & O. S. S. *Tehran*, with the outward mails, was expected to leave Singapore for this port this (Monday) morning.

YESTERDAY morning Commodore Watson paid a visit to the French Admiral, which was returned, the usual salutes being fired.

We are requested to state that Mrs. Pope Hennessy's At Home, which was postponed, is to take place this evening.

His Excellency's Budget Speech appears in extenso in the *Government Gazette* of Saturday.

THE P. M. S. S. Co.'s str. *City of Tokio*, with the next American mail, left Yokohama for this port yesterday morning.

We learn from Messrs Gibb, Livingston & Co. that the steamer *Gordon Castle* left Singapore for this port on the 24th inst. (Saturday last).

The names of Messrs Heilmann, Herbst & Co., and of Mr. John Jack, were inadvertently omitted in the list we received of signatories to the letter addressed to the Acting Colonial Secretary with reference to the Stamp Act.

We hear that an accident occurred on board the S. S. *Riga* as she was proceeding round to the Aberdeen Poole to-day. A small quantity of coal which had been lying undisturbed in the bunkers for some time took fire. Steps were at once taken to extinguish the fire, and the coals were ultimately all discharged.

Three vessels from the North report moderate to light Northerly and North-Easterly winds and fine weather prevailing. The British bark *Orange Grove* from Kobe reports variable winds. Vessels from the southward have encountered first light northerly winds and latterly strong N. Easterly gales.

The Band of the 25th Regiment will perform the following programme to-morrow evening, commencing at 8.30 p.m.:—

Overture,.....Concert.....Tid. Selection,.....William Tell.....Rossini. Valse,.....Die Fugler.....Gungl. Potpourri,.....Les Maquignons.....Tscherny. Selection,.....Rose of Castile.....Bailie. Galop,.....Blarney.....Wagner.

THE S. S. Company's steamer *Oratia*, Captain Webster, arrived here to-day from Liverpool, via the usual ports of call. She is a new steamer, built and engined by Messrs J. Scott & Co. of Greenock. Her length is 325 feet, breadth 36 feet, depth of hold 27 feet, her gross tonnage being 2067. Her engines are of 300 horse-power nominal. She has accommodation for 14 first-class and 45-second-class passengers, and is fitted with all the latest improvements. Her average speed is 10 knots, and the highest speed attained 10 1/2 knots. She has made a remarkably good run (44 days and twelve hours) from Singapore against a strong monsoon.

THE MASCO Naval Amateurs gave a very successful dramatic entertainment on Saturday evening at the Lusitano Theatre, in aid of the fund for the relief of the sufferers from famines in India and in the 2200s Archipelago. The first piece produced, a laughable farce entitled *Os dois urdes* (the two deaf ones), performed by four officers of

the gunboat *Tejo*, caused much merriment. The parts were well sustained, especially that of the servant. Then followed another farce performed by the crew of the gunboat, entitled *O Juiz Elido*, (the appointed judge). His Lordship is a village barber, and having been appointed judge by the villagers, converts his shop into a tribunal, to hear a complicated case of a quarrel between two peasant women. The judge, the defendants, the witnesses and the constable all spoke at the same time, after much altercation, the judge left the case undecided, and suddenly disappeared fully persuaded that it is easier to be a barber than a judge.

The characters were fully sustained throughout, and the amateurs heartily applauded. *Intriga no Bairro* (Intrigue in the Parish) was the last piece, and was so capitaly executed that the house was kept in continual roars of laughter. At the termination of the performance the manager of the society was called out and warmly thanked. The intervals

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour
